antee minority rights, so too can this Speaker overturn a bad precedent and restore the minority rights that were originally established back in 1909.

"I strongly urge the Chair to sustain my point of order and thereby restore the rights that are rightfully ours according to the legislative history and intent behind this rule.".

Mr. GORDON was recognized to speak to the point of order and said:

"Mr. Speaker, I do wish to be heard

on this point of order.

"Mr. Speaker, the gentleman from Florida [Mr. GOSS] makes the point of order that the rule limits the motion to recommit and therefore, according to the minority, the rule violates clause 4(b) of rule XI.

"Mr. Speaker, I respectfully disagree. Rule XI prohibits the Rules Committee from reporting a rule that: 'Would prevent the motion to recommit from being made as provided in clause 4 of rule XVI.'

"Clause 4 of rule XVI addresses only the simple motion to recommit and requires the Speaker to give preference in recognition to a Member of the minority who is opposed to the measure.

"Nowhere are instructions mentioned. Mr. Speaker, so long as the minority's right to offer a simple motion to recommit is protected, a rule does not 'prevent the motion to recommit from being made as provided in clause 4 of rule XVI.' This is a well-established parliamentary point.

"I will not respect the precedents and history of this point. Suffice it to say that Speaker Rainey, on January 11, 1934 so ruled and was sustained on ap-

peal.

"The parliamentary point has been reaffirmed several times in the last few years, by ruling of the Chair, and when the ruling was challenged, it has been

sustained on appeal.

"The precedents are clear and unequivocal. If the rule does not deprive the minority of the right to offer a simple motion to recommit, then the rule does not violate the spirit or the letter of clause 4(b) of rule XI. Mr. Speaker, I urge that the point of order be overruled."

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. AN-DREWS of Maine, overruled the point of order, and said:

"The Chair is now prepared to rule. Under the precedents cited in section 729(C) of the House Rules and Manual, and as reiterated as recently as yesterday afternoon, the Chair overrules the point of order."

When said resolution was considered. After debate.

On motion of Mr. GORDON, the previous question was ordered on the resolution to its adoption or rejection.

The question being put, viva voce, Will the House agree to said resolu-

tion?
The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. AN-DREWS of Maine, announced that the yeas had it.

Mr. SOLOMON objected to the vote on the ground that a quorum was not present and not voting. A quorum not being present,

The roll was called under clause 4, rule XV, and the call was taken by electronic device.

When there appeared $\begin{cases} Yeas \dots 247 \\ Nays \dots 183 \end{cases}$

¶140.18 [Roll No. 607]

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So the resolution was agreed to.

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A motion to reconsider the vote whereby said resolution was agreed to was, by unanimous consent, laid on the table

¶140.19 MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

A message in writing the President of the United States was communicated to the House by Mr. Edwin Thomas, one of his secretaries.

¶140.20 GOVERNMENT REFORM AND SAVINGS

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. AN-DREWS of Maine, pursuant to House Resolution 320 and rule XXIII, declared the House resolved into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union for the consideration of the bill (H.R. 3400) to provide a more effective, efficient, and responsive government.

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. AN-DREWS of Maine, by unanimous consent, designated Mr. HUGHES as Chairman of the Committee of the Whole; and after some time spent therein,

¶140.21 RECORDED VOTE

A recorded vote by electronic device was ordered in the Committee of the